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I have tried numerous times to give my opinion on the airport expansion, at the website: AirportEIR@longbeach.gov.

I cannot get on the website. It either says "Website not responding" or a get a list of similar websites regarding Long Beach. (Is the city of Long beach purposely "messing up the website" so they won't get complaints about the expansion? It's just a thought!)

I would like the smallest of the proposed expansion of the airport. We do not need the largest size. I fly in and out of the L.B. airport many times, and I have never seen a need for 3 times the size that we have now. I don't even see a need for double the present size, but I understand the city wants to offer nice restaurants, etc.

At the Bixby Knolls Street Fair this weekend, the Airport had a booth. I was very surprised to find out that, with the new expansion, the passengers would still have to walk outside and up the airplane's stairs to get into the plane. All that money to expand, and seniors and handicapped people will still not be able to go up the stairs, unless a staff member picks them up (physically), which is embarrassing for them, I would imagine. Also, I told the airport representative that I was unable to get on to the website to log my opinion. She said the city had been having problems, but I should try again because it is working properly now. (No, it isn't!!)

My parents are 80 years old, and they avoid any airport that does not have a normal ramp to get into the plane. There are many, many seniors who probably feel the same way.

What was the city thinking? To expand, but not to have a modern facility?

Why was this fact not publicized in the Press-Telegram. I don't think others know that the facility will not be modernized to have ramps.

I would appreciate your forwarding my email to the proper person, so my opinion can count.

Thank you,

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